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TOPIC Military Activities in the Area of the LXXIX Mtz Rifle Corps

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REMARKS

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1. Between 10 and 21 October 1955, the barracks installations in Magdeburg were occupied as follows:

Seeckt Kaserne  
(5287)

1,200 to 1,400 soldiers wearing black-bordered black and blue-bordered black epaulets. Some 60 trucks with TMP steel pontoons, 20 trucks with beams and boards and 4 amphibious vehicles similar to DUKW 353s were stored in the barracks yard.

Zuckerbusch Kaserne  
(5288)

approximately 100 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets.

Nachrichten Kaserne  
(5286)

approximately 1,000 to 1,200 soldiers who wore red-bordered black and, a few, black-bordered black and blue-bordered black epaulets. One amphibious vehicle similar to a DUKW-353, 52 trucks and 6 TMP steel pontoons were seen in the barracks yard.

Flak Kaserne  
(5282)

1,400 to 1,600 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. The AAA emplacement east of the athletic field was unoccupied on all days of observation. Twenty AT guns, presumably of 100 mm, were seen under lean-to roofs at the athletic field.

Herrenkrug Kaserne  
(5283)

1,600 to 1,800 soldiers wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets.

Anger Kaserne  
(5284)

1,000 to 1,200 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets.

Hindenburg Kaserne  
(5288)

some 800 to 1,000 soldiers wearing blue-bordered black epaulets.<sup>1</sup>

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2. On 25 October, the Nachrichten Kaserne in Magdeburg was occupied to capacity. On 27 October, the Herrenkrug Kaserne also appeared to be occupied to capacity.
3. On 3, 4 and 5 October, the known AT gun unit returned to its quarters in the Flak Kaserne (2002) in Brandenburg. Forty 85-mm AT guns, 10 AP guns of 37 to 45 mm and some 100 trucks were seen entering the installation.<sup>2</sup>
4. During the night of 3/4 October, elements of the units which had left in the spring returned to the Flak Kaserne in Brandenburg. In the morning of 4 October, 15 guns, presumably 100-mm AT guns, 6 small field offices, 1 ambulance and 50 trucks were seen in the barracks yard.<sup>2</sup>
5. Between 18 and 20 October, the Tauentzien Kaserne (5584) and the Hindenburg Kaserne (5581) of the Stendal post were occupied to capacity, while the Albrecht-der-Baer Kaserne (5583) was 50 percent occupied. The two emplacements south of Hindenburg Kaserne were occupied as previously by each 6 AA guns of 85 mm and 37 mm.<sup>3</sup>
6. On 26 October, all installations of the Stendal post were heavily occupied. Approximately 50 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets engaged in the construction of earth bunkers in the training area southwest of the Hindenburg Kaserne. The completed bunkers were apparently occupied by troops.<sup>3</sup>

1. Comment. After the completion of the fall maneuver of the Third Shock Army, the bulk of the units is probably again stationed at the post.
2. Comment. The installation is carried occupied by the 20th Army AT Brig of the Third Shock Army, which also participated in the fall maneuver of the army.
3. Comment. The bulk of the elements of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div from Stendal is presumably stationed at the post. The construction and occupation of earth bunkers near Hindenburg Kaserne was presumably due to the fact that the installation was occupied beyond capacity during the personnel exchange.
4. Comment. the 594th Mtz Rifle Regt of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div in Stendal until 29 August 1955. until 20 August 1955 the 49th Gds Mecz Regt of the 14th Gds Mecz Div located in Jueterbog.

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